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CONTAINING THEM AND USES
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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in complete response to the Official Action mailed on September 18, 2001 (Paper No. 18). A two month Extension of Time has been filed to extend the due date to February 19, 2002 (February 18, 2002 falls on a holiday).

Please amend the above-cited application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

42. (Once Amended) A method for the treatment of a dermatological condition which is selected from the group consisting of: a keratinization disorder which affects differentiation and proliferation; a keratinization disorder which is not associated with differentiation and proliferation; a keratinization disorder having an inflammatory and/or immunoallergic component; dermal or epidermal proliferation;